

WILLIAM ANDREWS.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 173.]

MARCH 5, 1840.

Mr. CARR, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom were referred the petition and papers of William Andrews, report:

That the petitioner's name was placed on the pension-roll in the year 1833, at eighty dollars per annum; and that in the year 1835 the Commissioner of Pensions reduced his pension to thirty dollars and eighty-eight cents per annum, viz: from two years' service to nine months and eight days. The committee, after a careful examination of the papers, are of opinion that the petitioner is justly entitled to a pension for eighteen months' service; that the depositions of Daniel Olmstead and Jehiel Winchel, and the records in the War Department, fully prove eighteen months' service. The committee, therefore, report a bill to that effect.

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The petitioner is recommended by several highly respectable gentlemen, who have long known him, to be a man of truth, and his statement entitled to credit; and that they believe he was a soldier in the revolutionary war, and served as he states.

The Commissioner of Pensions, in refusing to allow him the pension asked for, states, "that he served three tours of militia duty; in the first and second he was out two months, but in the last term he was out two months."

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